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FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION - JOINT

As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

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We believe that we are the original, first, and joint  
inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which  
a patent is sought on the invention entitled "Polymers of a hydrophobic  
nature, filled with starch complexes"....., the specification of  
which is attached hereto.

We hereby state that we reviewed and understand the  
contents of the above-identified specification, including the  
claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information that  
is material to the examination of this application in  
accordance with 37 Code of Federal Regulations § 1.56.

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35  
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Attorney Docket Number 13929/123411

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POLYMERS OF A HYDROPHOBIC NATURE, FILLED WITH STARCH COMPLEXES

the specification of which

(Title of the Invention)

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Application Number PCT/EP99/07038 and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

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